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SECTION II

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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Criminal Appeal No. 535 of 2000@@
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P. Ramachandra Rao

Appellant

VERSUS

State of Karnataka

Respondent

With Criminal Appeal Nos. 536-542 of 2000

(Heard by Hon'ble CJI, Hon'ble Quadri, Lahoti, Hegde, Raju, Ruma Pal
and Pasayat, JJ.)

Date : 16/04/2002 These matters were called on for pronouncement
of judgment today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SYED SHAH MOHAMMED QUADRI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R.C. LAHOTI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N. SANTOSH HEGDE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DORAISWAMY RAJU
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE RUMA PAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARIJIT PASAYAT

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The Court made the following
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Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.C. Lahoti pronounced the judgment of the court, on behalf of the Hon'ble the Chief Justice, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Syed Shah Mohammed Quadri, Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Santosh Hegde, Hon'ble Ms. Justice Ruma Pal, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Arijit Pasayat and himself, allowing the criminal appeals.

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Doraiswamy Raju pronounced the judgment on behalf of himself, agreeing with the reasons given in the judgment delivered by Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.C. Lahoti, except for certain observations mentioned in the judgment.

REPORTABLE.@@
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(T.I. Rajput)
Court Master

(Shelly Sengupta)
Court Master

(Signed judgments are placed on the file)